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Dear Macdonald! You know by his  
own information that Rev. Gairdner is  
here in Budapest since the beginning  
of august. We read a great lot of Mus-  
lim texts, dogmatic and sufi, & do moreover  
we will begin with Abū Shāmī's <sup>fiğh</sup> <sup>إلى الله وإلى الآخرة</sup> being a good introduction to  
fiğh. As you know, Mr. G. better than I, I  
need not say you, that he is a man of  
great qualities and also personally very ami-  
able. As such he is much liked by all who meet  
him in our house. I regret, not to be with him  
in our town to-day, amidst my library; here in  
the country we are reduced to some books I have  
here with me. As Gairdner is so well prepared in  
Muslim science, I doubt whether his staying here  
can be of true profit to him. As the Garati-mas-  
rūda increase now day by day, I gave him the advi-  
ce to concentrate himself to a monograph-study on  
G. It is all to do in that question. Carra de Vaux's  
book is a preaching-book not a historical research.

As for myself, I wrote in the present occasion  
time a very large article for Harknips' (Muslim-Edu-  
cation) and prepared the second edition of my studies of  
Arabic Philology (Kultur der Gegenwart), which will  
be now enlarged and changed in many respects. I think,  
I informed you in a former card, that the review on  
the Aspects is since weeks in the hands of the redactors  
of RHR. With friendly regards to you both  
Yours faithfully Goldschmidt